



Status of WATR Systems C-band, S-band, UHF/VHF

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Status of WATR Systems

- **C-band**
 - Data Enhancement System (DES)
 - Radar Information Processing System (RIPS)
 - Upgrades
 - GN Support
 - Future plans

- **S-band**
 - Triplex (7 Meter Prime) & MFTS (7 Meter Backup) upgrades
 - Shuttle Data Processing System
 - Bit Sync upgrade
 - NISN upgrade

 - GN support
 - Future plans



Status of WATR Systems Cont'd



- **UHF/VHF & ISS Systems**
 - Future plans





C-band

- **DES**
 - Continues to function nominally; No lock up problems since 7/01
 - DES replacement (RIPS) in progress
- **RIPS**
 - **Phase III completed 7/02**
 - Installation and integration
 - Non-intrusive testing during STS-111
 - Non-intrusive testing during ISS C-band proficiency passes
 - **Phase IV scheduled to start 10/02**
 - **Mission suitability testing**
 - **Phase V**
 - **Replace DES**
- **Upgrades**
 - **FRCC (R34) transmitter “Corner Cutter” installed 2/02**
 - **Extensive use over the last six (6) months with no anomalies**
 - **FRFC (R38) depot level maintenance completed 6/02**





C-band Cont'd

- **GN Support**
 - Supported STS-109, 110 and 111 since last NSG
 - Tracked 23 HST, 54 ISS and 177 STS orbits
 - Supported the landing of STS-111 at Edwards
- **Future plans**
 - FRCC (R34) scheduled for depot level maintenance 10/02
 - Cornet matrix switcher for S and C band systems will be replaced by a Universal Switch Corp. switcher after STS-113
 - RF, IF, Data, Video, AGC





S-band

- **TRIPLEX**
 - **DLM completed 6/02**
 - Replaced broken gear in elevation gear box
 - **CANDOS**
 - SN launch head testing continues
 - Uplink PA bypass mod installed and checked out
- **Shuttle Data Processing System**
 - **Avtec PC based bit sync upgrade**
 - PSS and non-intrusive STDN mode testing on STS-106,92,97,98,102,100,104,105,108,109,110 and 111
 - TDRSS data testing successfully completed on 9/12/02
 - Cut-over to Avtec bit syncs complete
 - Legacy Viterbi decoder in conjunction with Avtec bit sync





S-band Cont'd

- **NISN Circuit Upgrade for FM Dumps**
 - **Successful testing with GSFC and JSC performed on 9/12/02**
 - **Capable of flowing up 1024 kb/sec FM dump real-time**
- **GN Support**
 - **Supported STS-109, 110 and 111**
 - **Supported the STS-111 landing at Edwards**





- **Future plans**

- **MFTS**

- **Depot level maintenance (DLM) scheduled 10/02**
 - **Uplink PA (power amp) bypass mod to be installed during DLM period**
 - **Selectable right hand/left hand circular transmit capability to be installed during DLM period**

- **Triplex**

- **Selectable right hand/left hand circular transmit capability to be installed prior to STS-112**





UHF/VHF

- **UHF**
 - No new changes implemented
 - Future plan
 - Automatic Best Receive Source Selection System implemented as workload permits.
- **VHF**
 - No new changes implemented





ISS COMM SYSTEM

- **No new changes implemented**
- **Future Upgrades**
 - **High efficiency duplexor on VHF 1 back-up**
 - **High Power amplifier on VHF 2 backup**
 - **VHF scheduled to move (Fall 02)**
 - **Currently 20 ft tower**
 - **New location 35 ft tower**

